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This equipment consisted of a CW and voice radio transmitter and receiver set together with key and headsets. They also had six wet cell batteries, type NKN - 22, two of which were in use, two were held in reserve, and two were being recharged at the Regiment. The maximum continuous use of these batteries was 18 hours. Along with those batteries, they had an unknown number of 80 v., dry cell batteries type BAS-80, four of which were used once in awhile, and two of which were held in reserve and were to be used only in the event of war.

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the spare sets and parts were kept in the Regimental repair shop located at the base of the 290th Guards Rifle Regiment which was approximately 40 km. from the location of the 9th Company, located at the little town of St. Peter.

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In the event some piece of equipment needed repair, first had to notify [] company commander of the malfunction. 25X1 The company commander then authorized [] one of the [] men of the unit to take that equipment to the Regimental repair shop. Whether or not the equipment was repaired at that shop or sent elsewhere was unknown [] However, 25X1 every piece of equipment had a form on which the record of maintenance was kept. The information on this form included the part that needed repair, the degree of repair, the repairs made, date of repair and the signature of the maintenance section chief.

Additional Information

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4. [] the 9th Company consisted of two officers - Capt. (fnu) ZINCHUK, company commander and Lt. (fnu) KOLUPAYEV, deputy commander and political officer - four sergeants which included one first sergeant, two chauffeurs, and one medical corpsman and 10 enlisted men which included two telephone operators, two radio operators, one cook, shoemaker, administrative man, chauffeur and two guards. Each man had a carbine but they were locked in the company commander's room. They also had two ZIS type trucks and one Willys jeep.

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